GOVERNMENT OF AHDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services — Water Resources Department- Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram, East Godavari District – Allegations of Irregularities in entrustment of canal closure works pertaining to O&M action plan of 2016-17 approved by CAD Committee on 02.05.2016 taken up by irrigation Circle, Dowlaiswaram of erstwhile East Godavari District"- Departmental proceedings under Rule-20 of the A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Articles of charges - Issued.

WATER RESOURCES (VIGILANCE-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 658 Dated: 09-12-2025

Read:

G.O.Rt.No.654,WR(Vig.I) Department, Dt.09.12.2025.

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram, East Godavari District in accordance with the procedure laid down under Rule-20 of the A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 for the alleged charges specified herein.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges (Annexure-I). A statement of imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in support of articles of charges is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III & IV).

3. Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram,East Godavari District is directed to submit his written statement of defence within (10) days from the receipt of this order and also state whether he desires to be heard in person.

4. Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram,East Godavari District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charge which are not specifically admitted herein. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge. He is further informed that adequate opportunity for perusal of records will be made available during the course of inquiry.

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5. Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram,East Godavari District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the stipulated time or does not appear in person before the disciplinary authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of rule 20 of the APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of said Rules, the inquiring authority may hold inquiry against him ex-parte.

6. Attention of Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram,East Godavari District is invited to Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Govt. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings it will be presumed Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram, East Godavari District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order should be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G SAI PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram,East Godavari District **through** the Engineer-in-Chief (Admn.,), Water Resource Department, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The Engineer-in-Chief (Admn.,), Water Resources Department,
Vijayawada with a request to submit the dated acknowledgement of the individual to the Government without any delay.
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ANNEXURE-I

Statement of Article of Charges framed against Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram,East Godavari District

Sri R.Subba Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, has committed dereliction of duties amounting to misconduct in violation of Rules (3) of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964, as mentioned in the following Article of Charge.

Article of Charge :-

That the said Sri R. Subba Rao while functioning as Assistant Executive Engineer, Drainage Section, Amalapuram has recorded the work despite inferior quality of concrete work of Retaining wall in execution of work "Special Repairs to Ramp at KM 12.50 of R/B of Upper Kousika Right Arm Major Drain in G.C. Delta". Thus, he has committed dereliction of duties, amounting to misconduct.

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ANNXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI R.SUBBA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT ENGINEER, DRAINAGE SECTION, AMALAPURAM, EAST GODAVARI DISTRICT

1). The Vigilance & Enforcement Department verified the Canal Closure Works Pertaining to O&M Action Plan of 2016-17 approved by CAD Committee taken up by Irrigation Circle, Dowlaiswaram in erstwhile East Godavari District.

2). Vigilance and Enforcement Department officials collected the pertinent records from the office of the Executive Engineer, G.E. Division, Dowlaiswaram & the office of the Executive Engineer, Drainage Division, Kakinada and randomly inspected 6 works and conducted Quality Control tests in the presence of field officers concerned and representatives of contractors and made the flowing observations

i).Works (6) inspected by the V&E as

I. Construction of new bathing Ghat at KM 16.28 on R/B of GE bank canal

II. Construction of new bathing Ghat at KM 11.36 on Left Side bank of GE bank canal

III. Protection of eroded bank including repairs and construction of bathing ghat and cattle ramp in between Km 19.500 to 20.000 of Kakinada Canal.

IV. Re construction of bathing Ghat U/s of Venkatayya Palem Bridge on Injaram Canal

V. Re construction of bathing Ghat D/s of Venkataya Palem Bridge on Injaram Canal

VI. Special repairs to ramp at km 12.50 of R/B of upper Kousika right arm drain in GC Delta

ii). As per 17.4.3. of IS 456: 2000, concrete in the member represented by a core test shall be considered acceptable if the average equivalent cube strength of the cores is equal to the least 85 percent of the cube strength of the grade of concrete specified for the corresponding age and no individual core has a strength less than 75 percent.

iii). Hence, the permissible compressive strength requirement of M15 grade concrete for individual core and for average equivalent cube strength of the cores are 11.25 N/mm2 and 12.75 N/mm2 respectively.

iv). Cement concrete cores were extracted from hardened concrete of different components of retaining wall and landing of bathing ghats and they were tested by engaging 3rd party agency viz., M/s KDM Engineers (India) Private Ltd., Visakhapatnam an NABL accredited laboratory in the presence of field officers concerned and the agency representatives.

Work No	Core Id	Location of the core extracted	Grade of concrete	Compressive strength in N/mm^2		Remarks
				Achieved	Required	
VI	Retaining Walls of Ramp at Km 12.50 Of R/B of Upper Kousika Right Arm Drain in GC Delta					
19	C-19	Middle of last step	M 15	15.90	11.25 (75%)	Satisfactory
20	C-20	R/s wall top near landing	M 15	6.10	11.25 (75%)	Failed
21	C-21	L/s wall top near road	M 15	-	11.25 (75%)	Core crumbled during extraction
		Average		-	12.75 (85%)	Failed

v) One individual core sample got crumbled during extraction itself and could not be recovered. Thus, clearly shows that the work was substandard. The CC core samples failed to attain the strength requirements of the specified grade of concrete of M-15 as per IS:456-2000. Hence the CC component was found to be liable for rejection. An amount of Rs. 58,390/- was arrived at towards the cost of rejected component of the work.

Work No	Name of the work	Grade of Concrete	Executed Quantity cum	M.Book Reference
1	2	3	4	5
VI	Retaining Walls of Ramp at Km 12.50 of R/B Of Upper Kousika Right Arm Drain in GC Delta	M-15	10.952	Page No.39 & 42 of M. Book No. 430A

Rate per Cum	Gross Amount (Rs. /-)	Tender Discount	Amount to be recover from the agency.
6	7	8	9
5935.00	65,000/-	10.17%	58,390

3). Thus, Sri R. Subba Rao is responsible for recording the work despite inferior quality of concrete work of Retaining wall and thus causing loss an amount of Rs.58,390/- to the Government exchequer.

4). Thus, the said officer has failed to perform his duties with due diligence which amounts to dereliction of duties leading to misconduct in violation of Rules (3) of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964.

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Annexure – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI R.SUBBA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT ENGINEER, DRAINAGE SECTION, AMALAPURAM,EAST GODAVARI DISTRICT

The General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, V&E Report No.20 (C.No.924/ V&E/ E/ 2016) Dt: 26.03.2024 along with its enclosures.

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Annexure – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED SRI R.SUBBA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT ENGINEER, DRAINAGE SECTION, AMALAPURAM, EAST GODAVARI DISTRICT

The General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department officials who have verified the work.

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